What Victoria

How Withdrawal of Naval Squad-

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the yard has not yet been suggested. Of course the very air of Esquimalt is filled with apeculation as to the fate of the naval port, and arguments to suit each particular view of the situation are everywhere advanced with confidence. In the first place, it is held apparently by the majority, no local considerations enter into or have weight with the admiralty in regard to the prospective changes. If Esquimalt he reduced or climinated, it will be because business reasons are held to dictate expenditure elewhere as better for the security of the Empire and the peace of the world. It does not do to have the men and the ships of the flag scattered at isolated and widely separated points, which would not tactically be liable to invite an enemy's attention. The new policy of the lords of the admiralty is obviously to keep Great Britain's naval force well in hand ready to strike quickly at the vulnerable point should any foreixa power menace her interests or her prestige. Esquimalt would not be looked upon as likely to come within the sphere of activities, but would have to be considered chiefly in ratio to its importance on the line of Imperial intercommunication. It might thus demand exceptional treatment in view of its distance and innecessibility from home ports; and it might, therefore, be very well decided to preserve Esquimalt dockyards, intact and thoroughly equipped, in charge of a maintenance party, even if temporarily closed.

The general view at Esquimalt would appear to be that the ultimate fate of Hongkong also to a large extent. The object of maintaining a powerful British squadron in Asiatic waters is chiefly to keep Russia in check; and if the Russian power snould be broken by Japan, Great Britain would naturally leave the safeguarding of her interests in the Orient very Leggly in the hands of her stremous new ally. The importance of Esquimalt, it is further urged, would be correspondingly lessened by Japanese victory.

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the naval yard would mean desolation for Esquimalt town and a very heavy loss for Victoria's business interests. At the yard alone, where perhaps there are 120 men upon an average engaged, the majority locally employed and not establishment men, a total of upwards of \$240,000 was disbursed during the just past twelvemonth in wages, salaries and locally purchased supplies. The maximum number of the dockyard employees may safely be placed at two hundred—and the average of the men upon the ships has been reckoned at two thousand. What is spent by the ships with beef and bread contractors, etc., etc., and distributed are of the side of the contractors.

Admiral Togo Now At Tokio

Chief Commander of Japanese Fleet Gets Fine Reception on Arrival at Capital.

More Particulars About the Capture of the Great Rihlung . Fort.

Preceded by gendarmes, the drove under triumphal arch, wavlags and discharging fireworks
the the cheering crowds to the navy
tment, where n-brief stop was
during which the congratulations
o ministers were received and fudictories were toasted.

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FOR PURITY

IN POLITICS

Best Citizenship of Canada Is Against the Machine.

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States.

Dr. Smale estimated that a hundred thousand dollars would pay for the legitimate expenses of a campaign in Ontario, but at present it cost five times that amount.

CAPITALIZATION INCREASED.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The Bank of Nova Scotia has decided to increase its capital from \$2,000,000 to \$2,500,000. EASY MONEY.

Forgers of Bank of England Paper in the Toils.

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The Doom Of Port Arthur

Graphic Details of the Desperate Conditions Contained in Captured Letter.

Officers Show White Feather But the Soldiers Are Indomitable.

Kuropatkin's Indignant Denial-Another Step Toward Possession.

TOKIO, Dec. 30.—The Navy Department published today a letter written by a man on the battle-ship Sevastopol, which had fallen into the hands of the Japanese. The writer despairs of relief of the fortress and tells of the destruction wrought by the Japanese shells. He says the Russians are resigned to their fate and are determined to fight to a linish, rather than suffer the shame of surrender owing to starvation. Following is the text of the letter:
"The fortress cannot resist after Desember. The progress of the enemy in reducing our principal line of outer derences is not fully known, but it is irresistible.

of the town, however strong the outer defences,
"The new town is at the ancrey of the enemy's fire. The old town alone, is defendable and here alone may resistance be prolonged.
"Two-thirds of the defenders of 203 Metre Hill were lost.
"The Sevastopol, which was exposed to the enemy's fire in the daytime, left the harbor on the night of December Sth, without being towed. She carried only 111 instead of her complement of 600 souls. When she went out she had her nets down, but was struck twice by the enemy's torpedoes and was beached, irreparably damaged. Gen. Stoessel highly praised the officers and crew of the ship.
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highly pruised the others and it the ship.

"Fuel is almost unobtainable, and it is impossible to keep our bodies warm.

"We no longer have a wireless telegraph and have no means of communication with the outside world. Our isolation is complete. There is no news and we have had no information for a long time.

WESTHAM ISLAND IS INUNDATED

the Dyke With Disastrous Results.

New Westminster, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Westmam Island, one of the largest islands in the Fraser river delta, given up to farming and practically all under cultivation, is tonight covered by from two to three feet of water. Last night a severe storm was blowing on the Gulf, and the tides were rather high. The latter alone were a severe test on the Westham Island dyke, but the buffeting by the waves was too heavy for the dyke and an opening was made. The waters rushed in and the whole island was soon flooded. The amount of the damage cannot be estimated this evening, but it will be large as much nay and grain stored on the island will be ruined. The loss of stock will also be heavy and those who went into sheep raising will suffer most.

Joe King, alias Clarke, who is badly wanted by the police of several cities, particularly Vancouver, New Westminster and Bellingham, made a bold dash across the Westminster bridge over the Fraser river at 2 o'clock this morning. He had secured a rig and dashed past the officials on the bridge at a fast rate. It is thought that he is heading for the international boundary and the police there are on the watch. New Westminster, Dec. 30.-(Spe

international boundary and the police there are on the watch.

MADE IT UNANIMOUS

Bucharest, Roumania, Dec. 30.—At today's session of the Senate Premier Sturds announced that the whole cabinet had resigned owing to the resignations of the ministers of finance and of domains.

NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTIONS. Divide Honors Equitably Between Gov

St. John, N. B., Dec. 30.—Two bye-elections for the Legislature took place today. In St. John City, Maxwell, Op-position, defented St. Anne, Government, by 96, and in St. John County, Lowell, Government, was elected over Agar, Op-position, by 377. The city seat is a loss to the Government.

THREE CENT FARES.

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Flerce Gale From Atlantic Roaring Over the United Kingdom.

Mountainous Seas Are Reported all Along the Coasts.

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Rainstorm and Tide Conquer Patriotic Russian Statesman Re-

DIPLOMATIC CHANGES.

BAIL IS OFFERED.

Actress Shortly To Visit Victoria Secures Inexpensive Advertising.

New York, Dec. 30.—May Irwin, the actress, has offered to furnish ball in any amount up to \$50,000 for the release of Nan Patterson from the Tombs prison, where she is now held, charged with the murder of Caesar Young, are to be made formally by him next Miss Irwin to an announcement made by Miss Patterson's counsel. Miss Irwin are to be made formally by him next Miss Irwin to the Miss Irwin to the Miss Irwin to the Miss Irwin to the Miss Irwin went saway. When District Attorney Jerome's attention was called to the offer of bail, he said he had no states the ment to make, and was not prepared to say what course the prosecution would take. Miss Patterson's ball before the recent mistrial was \$20,000, but after the figure's disagreement el., was a manded without bail.

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Day's News At Ottawa

Hon, Mr. Blair Confirms the Reports of His Intentions Professionally.

No Hand in Provincial Politics Is Sir Wilfrid's New Motto

Customs Changes at Whitehorse-Plans for Canada's Mint.

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Hon,
A. G. Blair tonight confirmed
the report that he had accepted a directorship on the
board of the Toronto Roller Bearing Company, and will also act as counsei for that company. Mr. Blair will
continue to make his residence in Ottawa and expects to take up law practice here, devoting himself to railway
commission, corporation and parliamentarry work.

y work. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was seen Quebee which said that, as a result of his visit, Premier Parent would retire and Hon. Mr. Gonin would succeed him. The premier denied absolutely the truth of the despatch. He declared that he had nothing to do with the affairs of local legislatures, but he authorized the statement that he strongly disapproved of the attacks on Mr. Parent, and said so to all whom he had met in Quebee. The position of military secretary in the militia department has been abolishthe militia department has been abolished. Lieut-Colonel H. Smith, who has nitherto held that office, will be specially employed in the adjutant general's

ally employed in the adjutant general's branch.

D. E. Wart, chief architect of the public works department, has gone to Washington to examine the mint, preparatory to the preparation of plans for the royal mint in Ottawa.

Captain Thacker, Canadian military attache in Japan, has been heard from. He and been ill for some time in the lospital in Tokio, but is now en route Isome.

The following candidates passed the qualification civil service examination in November at Victoria: Robert John Herbert and Robert Hewell.

Fred McLennan, customs collector at Whitehorse, has been appointed measuring surveyor of shipping.

The Kootenay, Cariboo, and Pacific

The Kootenay, Cariboo and Pacific Railway Co. will apply next session for an extension of time.

VICTIMS OF THE WINDS.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—During a recent storm in North Germany, four persons were killed and a number injured by collapsing walls. DESPONDENCY AND DEATH.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Jacob Weise, of West Webster, Monroe County, 45 years old, shot himself through the head tonight with a revolver in a rooming house on West Main street. Death was instantaneous. Despondency was the cause.

FIXING RESPONSIBILITY.

Cause of Explosion on U. S. S. Massa chusetts Officially Assigned.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 30.—The co oner's jury today found that the expl sion which occurred on December 13t on the battleship Massachusetts at the sure of steam in the boilers was 7 pounds, which is entirely too high for

COASTGUARD HEROES.

Bring Safely To Shore Entire Crew of The Lost Northeastern.

Hatteras and Kennaket, under Captains Etheridge and Peel, is a record breaker in the annals of the Virginia const. The life-savers pulled their surf boats over the 18 miles to and from the wreck without the loss of a man, and each boat carried 20 men on the return trip.

New York, Dec. 30.—According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Herald, he has reliable information that Prince Sviatopolk Mirsky, the minister of the interior, is determined to resign. This under the circumstances of the last few days, will surprise no one. M. Glastoff, minister of education, is likewise to retire. He said: "The situation of affairs has gone begond my comprehension." M. Lukianoff, a bacteriologist, will be his successor.

Prince Galitzin, mayor of Moscow, has been handed over to justice to answer for his too liberal speech before the Douma.

IPrince Galitzin, referred to in the above despatch, visited Victoria some 12 or 14 years ago, on his way back to Russia from Thibet, in which mysterious country he had been lost to the world for upwards of a decade. He is believed to have a fuller and broader knowledge of the Thibetans than any other European. After his reappearance he was appointed governor of trans-Caucasia, and while filling this high office had a narrow escape from assussination by an anarchistic fanatic. He shows himself in many of his published writings a friend of socialism that is moderate, rational and progressive.

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News Notes Of The Dominion

Disastrous Ending to Christmas Celebration at Niagara Falls Ont.

Accident to Commercial Traveler at Winnipeg — A Conference of Farmers.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 28.—The Christmas celebration here wound up with a fight in the foreign quarter in which one man was killed and three andly wounded. A gang of men engagd in deadly combat, knives and revolvers being used. In a few minutes three men were on the ground and the rest led in all directions. The police were juickly on the scene and took steps to cound up the fugitives. One was captured in a Hungarian boarding house, three were taken as they fled across the oridge to the States.

The doctor found one Hungarian kill-

se of the fight is unknown. Vinnipeg, Dec. 29.—II. H. Irons, a resentative of McCall & Company, onto, was thrown from a rig at Caly on Tuesday, and is still in an unscious condition in the hospital there, skull is believed to be fractured.

Calgary council will on Monday call Admiral Togo

A pot of soup boiled over on the five-ear-old son of Wm. Murihead, of Car-erry, caused fatal injuries.

RUMORS AND A WRECK

Cleveland, O., Dec. 30.—Cashier O. C. Lillie and President C. M. Traver, of the First National Bank of Conneaut, Ohio, were arrested today at Conneaut by United States Marshal Chandler, charged with a violation of the national banking laws, the specific charge in Mr. Lillio's case being the making of a false entry in the books of the bank, changing the sum of \$223,605 to read \$223,605. Mr. Traver is charged in the warrant with being an accomplice of the cashier in the alleged falsification. Deputy United States marshals brought

will easily put this right, but if neglected what a burden of illness may be the con-

London, Dec. 30.—A despatch from Chefoo to the Daily Telegraph says: "A messenger from Port Arthur states that the Japanese have mounted eight guns commanding positions north of the Etse forts, but they suffered heavy losses by the Russian fire. The Russians have abandoned the new town, but the Japanese have been unable to occupy it because of fear that it has been mined."

SUMMONED IN HASTE.

Paris, Dec. 30.—Admiral Kasenkenoff leaves for St. Petersburg tomorrow after receiving a laconic despatch saying Emperor Nicholas desired to consult with him. The admiral's health, which is said to have been the cause of his recall, is excellent. Members of his staff say the renewed naval preparations are doubtless the cause of the consultation

IN PRIVATE AUDIENCE.

Lady Macdonald of Earnscliffe Is Hon-

Rome, Dec. 30.—The Pope today receives, in private audience in his study Baroness Macdonald, widow of the late Canadian premier. The pontiff on this occasion spoke in French for perhaps the first time in a private audience. He asked Lady Macdonald to sit next to him, saying that her visit was an honor for him. The Pope said he knew how fairly her late husbath had ever treated the Canadian Catholics, and presented the Baroness with a medal bearing the Pope's head on one side and his arms on the other side. Afterwards Baroness Macdonald visited Papal Secretary Merry Del Val in the famous Borgia apartment, which, she said, was the most perfect representation it was possible to imagine of the apartment of the middle ages.

Now At Tokio

Admiral Togo and Vice Admiral Ka-

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'Norman Montizambert, son of the director of public health for the Dominion, died yesterday of typhoid fever. The deceased's family arrived from Ottawa a few hours before his demise.

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The Smale estimated that \$100,000 Zemstvos, under the threat contained in the government note, seem to be acting with considerable circumspection and no more have followed the example of the Moscow Zemstvo in adjourning sine die. Neither have there been recurrences of the disturbances. The revolutionary organization, it is said, in addition to Grand Juke Sergius and M. Trepof, police chief of Moscow, have condemned Procurator-General Pobedonostoff, of the holy synod, and Mfnister of Justice Muravieff.

ANOTHER STEP NEARER.

RUMORS OF RETURN.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 30.—A report that the cruisers Orel and Izmurud, of the second Pacific squadron, have been ordered to return is current here.

Embroglio.

New York, Dec. 30.—The Herald to-morrow will say regarding the Talbot case: Charges of a serious nature are to be made at the Talbot hearing against the person who is responsible for the cashier in the aliced falsification, Deputy United States marshals brought of the assaulters was splendid. Half the plant of the present who is responsible for the cashier Lilic to the Federal court here examination and gave ball in the sum of \$10,000 for his appearance in court early next February. He was account and the account of the present who is responsible for the cashier Lilic to the Federal court here examination and gave ball in the sum of \$10,000 for his appearance in court early next February. He was account and the early gaus, seven rapid-firing gaus, which are the present who is responsible for the dissipation and the gave ball in the sum of \$10,000 for his appearance in court early next february. He was according to the statement of three presents of a copy of \$10,000 for his appearance of a copy of \$10,000 for his appearance in court leaves to the freedom of \$10,000 for his appearance of a copy of \$10,000 for his appearance of a copy of \$10,000 for his appearance in court leaves the freedom and two machine gaus were captured, as well as thirty quick-firing gaus, still the present who is responsible for the dissipation and the gave gaus as serious nature are the present who is responsible for the dissipation and the gave gaus the gave gaus as the gave gaus of the first of the present who is responsible for the dissipation and the gave gaus the gave gaus the gave gaus and two machine gaus were captured, as well as thirty quick-firing gaus, which were stored in the fort.

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HONORS FOR THE RUSS.

Slapanta, via Mukden, Dec. 20.—Russian artillery engaged in an action on December 29th against the Japanese south of Shakhe and near the railroad bridge, the firing continuing until 6 o'clock in the evening. The bombardment of the Japanese position was effective; the Japanese replied very slowly with shrapnel and shimose shells and did very little damage.

RUMORS OF RETURN Dallas, Texas, Dec. 30.—J. H. Connely, secretary of the National Ginners' Association, today declared that the ginners and farmers are in accord with the census bureau in its cotton estimates.

FOUR MEN SHOT.

Tour Men Shot.

Indiana Harbor, Ind., Dec. 30.—Four men were tonight shot and slightly injured by Fred. Kroner, an employee of the American Steel & Wire Comp. 6 y. Kroner, who is an expert workman, has been of late doing extra work and his fellow-workmen demanded that he perform no more than the rest of them. He refused to do as they wished, and tonight, when a number of employees were standing on the depot platform in Indiana Harbor, some of them attacked Kroner. He drew a revolver and commenced shooting, wounding formen. Kroner was arrested.

Blame Laurier For Naval Change

Feeing in London That Canadian Statesman Did Not Act Patriotically.

Defence of Canada to Be no Longer Borne by Home

London, Dec. 17.—Canada may thank that heaven-born statesman and patriot, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, for the closing down of the imperial dockyards at Bsquiunalt and Halifax and the practical abolition of the Pacific squadron, in which the good people of British Columbia were interested. Yes, thanks to his vacillating policy at the time of the coronation, the defence of Canada is to be no longer borne by the home government. When the premiers of the other colonies come forward manly and intimated to the convention what their countries were prepared to do, he pursued a strictly non-committal policy and finally left the land of "foreigners" for France, where he was evidently much more at home. Sir Wilfrid got the chance of his life on the great subject of imperial defence and failed to take advantage of it.

The fine second class cruiser Charybdis, Commodore Paget, has been ordered home from the North American station to pay off. The Charybdis, which will not be replaced on the station, went there in 1899. Each fishery season her canada hoisted a broad pennant as com-London, Dec. 17 .- Canada may thank

tion to pay off. The Charybdis, which will not be replaced on the station, went there in 1899. Each fishery season her captain hoisted a broad pennant as commodore on "the Banks." When dirty little Venezuela required a lesson in common courtesy and honesty, the Charybdis was one of the cruisers which administered it from her big 9.2 guis, and made quarries in the forts protecting Caracas.

The report on the trial of the short

and made quarries in the forts protecting Caracas.

The report on the trial of the short rifle recently issued shows that for experimental purposes 1,050 rifles were made and issued to three cavalry regiments, seven infantry battaflons, the royal may and royal marines. The test extended over three months, and reports were made upon the accuracy, rapidity of loading by charges, shooting advantages of a long handguard, and handiness of the rifle. The reports showed that the accuracy of the rifle was satisfactory, and that the new weapon was superior to the service rifle in handiness, rapidity of loading and firing, but as the may considered a cut-off was necessary, this (with a piling swiyel subsequently asked for) is fitted to all naval rifles. From the reports received, the rapidity of loading and hring, but as the nary considered a cut-off was necessary, this (with a pilling swivel subsequently asked for) is fitted to all navalifles. From the reports received, the small arms committee recommended the rifle as suitable for universal use. They were of opinion that the "barleycorn" should be adhered to, pending further trials with the other patterns of fore-sight and that the sight should be adjustable with open topped hood. The lever type of back sight without windgauge was recommended. A more satisfactory type of wind gauge has now been devised, and has since been adopted, and long handguard was to be fitted. The charger system of loading was also recommended, but with small modifications to facilitate loading and clearing the magazine of sand, etc. The mechanism was considered satisfactory, and the committee concurred in the omission of the cut-off, but were of opinion that the mechanism should be capable of taking it should experience show it to be necessary. They were also agreed as to the drag null-off recommended. They considered the slight increase in the recoil to be unimportant, and they advised that the bayonet should be of the same length as that for the long rifle. A rifle so recommended by the committee was then made and approved, and arms are now being manufactured to this pattern with a wind gauge. Further tests of this rifle, chiefly for its behavior in sandy, dry climates, were made in Sonaliland, 100 of these weanons, which were first tried at home, being sent out for the purpose. The arms stood the rest well. The men were reported to like the rifle, and to shoot well with it, the increase of revoil being imperceptible. The lightness and convenience in handling gave universal satisfaction. The complete casing of the barrei in wood was fully appreciated. Trials were also conducted at Hythe to compare the value of charger loading and single loading from the bandolier. These gave most satisfactory results in favor of the former, and tests of accuracy of sichting at l

New York, Dec. 30.—Charged with the shooting of Wm. O'Brien on the Bowery yesterday, Wm. K. Smith, proprietor of a Raines' law hotel, was arrested here tonight on a warrant secured by District Attorney Jerome on the strength of a statement made to him by Cornelius J. Donlon, who said he saw the shot fired. O'Brien is a waiter who gave important testimony at the trial which resulted in the conviction of Patrolman Mallon for shooting Robt. Brennan last May, Yesterday morning he was found almost on the spot where Brennan was shot with a bullet in the abdomen. He is now in the hospital and it is thought he will die. Smith was taken before him tonight, but O'Brien refused to make any statement. Donlon told the district attorney that he saw Smith shoot O'Brien. He also said that he made this statement to two detectives, who failed to make an arrest. Mr. Jerome has summoned the detectives to appear at his office tomorrow to explain their action.

PROMISE SENSATION IN TALBOT CASE

Charges of Scrious/Nature to Be Preferred in Clerical

"Here and there farmers are found who declare that the census cotton estimates have been hurfful to the growers' interests," he said, "but no large organizations of farmers have expressed themselves as indicated in Mr. North's stated ment of yesterday."

Saturday Evening Post

Today our great cities show proportionately a higher average of dress and general striving after personal attractiveness both among men and women

tiveness both among men and wome than the great cities of any other coun

and maintain health.

For example, how many men stoje drinking and overcating because fat is fatal toward rooks? The struggle to keep young looking is a struggle to keep in perfect health—and what a blessing that is to the present and all future generations!

The price of good looks is right living. And the reward of right living is health.

INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY. PREPARING FOR New Orleans, La., Dec. 30.—The Signa Nu fraternity today decided upon extension into Canada.

COMING SEASON

Boston, Mass., Dec. 30.—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge today presented to President Roosevelt a petition asking for an investigation by the bureau of labor and commerce of trade conditions in New England to determine what effect reciprocity with Canada and Newfoundland would have upon trade in these states. Salmon Canners Using all Available Funds to Make

BRITISH OFFICER LOST.

San Francisco, Cal. Dec. 30.—1t is learned that Capt. Class, of the British navy, was abound the Japanese battleship Hatsuz, which was sunk, and was drowned. The presence of the British college on the ship has not been made public before, but the news now is said to be official.

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CHRISTMAS TREAT FOR YOUNG FOLK

First Presbyterian Church Scene of Happy Gathering Last Night.

The Christmas treat of the Sunday was held last evening. Tea was served to a large number of pupils in the school or a large number of pupils in the school or a large number of pupils in the school or a large number of pupils in the school or a large number of parents and the school of the large number of parents and friends were assembled. The superintendent, Mr. Meston, presided. A very delightful programme was carried out by the children. The pastor presented the prizes to the prize winners, for scripture memorizing, catechism, regularity and the Ten Commandments. All the prizes except those of the infant class were for work done during the year. An interesting part of the programme was class and solo singing competition, two prizes for the former, and three for the latter. Mrs. McKenzie and Miss M. (Robertson won the superintendent's prizes for being with their classes every sunday during the year, and being at every teachers' meeting. The school is in excellent condition, with a very efficient staff of officers and teachers. This school supports a pupil at Point Au Trembles school at a cost of \$50 per An industrial town unlike any other in the world is about to rise near London. It is to be called Garden City, because every honse will be surrounded by a garden. Ebenezer Howard is the projector of this Utopia and he has, after many years, induced rich philand, thropists to form a stock company, and furnish the large capital necessary to begin work.

There is to be one family to each house, flats and two-family houses being absolutely barred; the total population is not to exceed 30,000 and a maximul of one-sixth of the town area is to be factories, but every window of these is to be a window-garden. Meat is to be supplied direct from the surrounding farms; each family is to grow its own vegetables on its own land; cows are to be pastured in the town and each house is to be hygienic and pretty. Garden City is to be governed by a board of managers and is to be managed strictly as a business enterprise. There is nothing socialistic about it and the residents will have little to say about the government of the place.

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Paris, Dec. 30.—According to a despatch from Tangier to the Figaro, the Sultan of Morocco has received M. Guillaard, the French vince consul at Fez, and informed him that the dismissal of the French military mission had been cancelled. At the same time the Sultan urged that the diplomatic mission start at once for Fez.

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The biggest tunnel in Europe is undoubtedly that of the new Jungfrau electric line which is to reach the sumant of the mountains. According to recent reports the tunnel, which is now in construction, has passed the altitude of 3,000 metres (1.8 miles). As the road is entirely underground after reaching the altitude of 2,400 metres (1.04 miles) it may be safely affirmed to be the highest tunnel in Europe. The work, which commenced over ten years ago, is very slow. The second station, that of Rothstock, was opened to the public on the 2nd of the called the called the scientific American Tune is only one way to cure deafness and that is caused by an inflamed condition of the manned you have a rumbling couls ling of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling couls ling of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling couls of its entirely closed, Deafness is the result; is entirely closed, Deafness is the result; is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. See industry constitution, hearing will be destroyed for every fine cases out of ten are all that the caused by an inflamed condition of the manned you have a rumbling couls of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling caused by an inflamed you have a rumbling caused by an inflamed you have a rumbling caused by an inflamed you have a rumbling of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling caused by an inflamed condition of the means and that the same death you constitution remedies. Deafness is the caused by an inflamed condition of the munded pollution of the munded po

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ne with a bullet wound in his scalp,
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tuse of the fight is unknown.

Winnipeg intends to purchase a fif-teen hundred pound fire alarm bell,

Manitoba dentists met here yesterday o amend their charter to enable dentists olding Dominion certificates to practice

in Manitoba.

Father Portclance, of Ottawa, has arrived here to begin work on a new French-speaking parish in the western part of the city: A church and school to cost \$100,000 will be built.

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rejulies. This will take about two months, but if more time is required a special report is to be made to their Lordships. After eight or nine years each skip will undergo No. 2 survey (similar to the present No. 3 survey). This will take several months, and ships undergoing this survey will be paid off, their nucleus crews being quartered in barracks.

A Play of Average Quality RELIEFS.

RELIEFS.

The period during which ships will remain in commission at sea is in future to be two years, instead of three years as heretofore. This will apply to all ships in commission at sea, and the system that has hitherto been in operation of keeping ships in home waters in permanent commission, with periodical changes of a portion of the crew (as in the late Channel and Home fleets and cruiser squadron), is to be abolished. Consequent on the introduction of two years' commissions half the fleet in commission at set will be relieved annually and the reliefs will be distributed as evenly as possible throughout the year and between the three home ports. The principle of dividing the ships of the fleet and their aggregate crews equally between the three home ports will be maintained as shitherto. Ships of the Mediterranean and Atlantic fleets will return to England to recommission. Those on other foreign stations will be relieved at some port about midway between England and their station.

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daken from unappropriated resources in abarracks—never from already formed nucleus crews.

With regard to the complements of harbor ships and establishments, as far as possible only men who are within two years of the expiration of their first continuous service engagement, or men in their second period, should be drafted to these vacanetes, and care is to be taken that appointments of this class are fairly distributed among men entitled to hold them. They are not to be held for more than two years. It will, therefore, be seen that no man will be eligible to hold an appointment of this class more than twice in his career, viz., once at the termination of his first period and once during his second period. The crews of destroyer divisions will be relieved as a whole. My Lords do not intend that the foregoing instructions relative to the division of service between home and sea shall apply rigidly in the case of younger men, who have still to gain their sea esperience. For example, young seamen gunners and seamen torpedo men are to be drafted to sea as soon as possible after qualifying; they are to be appropriated to form part of a nucleus crew—men with longer sea service should be taken for this purpose. The same principle should apply to all other ranks and ratings.

EMERGENCY SHIPS.

As already stated, provision has been made for a sufficient floating surplus of Commodore Goodrich with reference to the name changes, involving review of the any content of the station, is related abandonnent of the station, is related to the station of the fighting fleet, and will be sent to the system and the station of an my lords are provided. An either of the station, in the dockyard ports, they will be sent to the fighting fleet, and will be sent to the station, and the station as the station of the

Everything comes to him who waits, where these migrants have been except the waiter.

IN "HER OWN WAY"

A Play of Average Quality in the Fine Clyde Flich Vein.

Typically "Clyde Fitchy" is Maxine Own Way," which was welcomed by a vesterday evening. That is to say, it inas numerous character snapshots, occasional bright dialogue of a very natural order, and is introduced with a pleasing little novelty in stage creation and arrangement that puts the audience in good humor at once and fits them to receive what follows with friendly consideration at the least. Clyde Fitch almost invariably makes his hits in the dirst acts of his plays—and by some novelty. In "The Climbers" it was a runeral; the deck of a trans-Atlantic liner served the purpose in "The Stubboruness of Geraldine"; it is the kjüdies; party in "Her Own Way," and as graceful, fresh and altogether deligitful an effect as any. This mustering of the little folk with their juvenile chatter, their free and easy comments upon their elders, and their naturalness constitute a dainty bit of playwright's analysis and reproduction.

There are two notable new characters of the stage world in "Her Own Way,"—Sam Const and the inirdresser, the latter supplying the greater part of the comedy of the piece. The others are passably original as types, but these are a bit above them. The role of Sam Const would be very easy to make it degentant into tae trashest impersonation of melodramatic villainy) it is worth while. Const is a crudity—a young Western nillignaire who works upon the princicasional bright dialogue of a very na-

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THE GRAND'S BIG WEEK.

Two matinees today, beginning Two matinees today, beginning at 2:30, and three evening performances tonight bring to a close one of the most enjoyable programmes yet presented at the Grand theatre on Johnson street, business having been large during the entire week. All of the acts are good but probably the greatest amusement is furnished by the moving pictures, which are the funniest imaginable. A strong bill is prepared for the coming week, particulars of which will appear in tomorrow's issue. As Monday is to be observed as a holiday, two matthees will be given, commencing at 2:30.

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Provincial Secretary's Office,

NOTICE.

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A GRATIFYING RECORD.

that British Columbia fruit had won an gold medal at the show held under the auspices of the Royal Horticul-turist Society in London, Eng. The news was received by cable, and, of course, the details were very meagre A letter has been received, which is published in another column, confirming the cable. The Province, therefore, has made the unprecedented record of winning two gold medals in the same year They were won in a competition in both cases in competition with colonial fruit. British Columbia as a result has been brought into great prominence. The imin the attention that has been called to the capabilities of this Province in the direction of fruit growing than in dem-onstrating the commercial possibilities of our fruit in Great Britain, although the latter are not to be despised, having in view the time when we shall have a large surplus of fruit to export. Credit attaches to the Government for the prac-tical policy it has undertaken in bringing the horticultural resources to the at ention of the world through various ex-ibitions; but special credit is due to Hon, Mr. Turner, Agent-General, in London, through whose instrumentality the arrangements were made and carried out on the other side, and to Mr. R. M. Palmer, secretary of the Bureau of Provincial Information, who selected the fruit and forwarded it. We feel sure the public will be glad to know that through their united efforts something has been accomplished to give the Pro ince an enviable distinction.

The Ottawn Free Press, inspired by the La Presse incident of Montreal, so ioquizes on the value of newspapers. The La Presse, which sold for one million and a quarter dollars, is worth it puts a value of a million dollars on his paper, and would pay fair dividends or a capitalization of that figure. The Toronto Globe pays a profit of 8 per cent. on half a million dollars, and the Toronto Telegram would pay 10 per cent. on a similar capitalization. The Toronto World proprietor was recently offered \$350,000 for his property, and refused. A few years ago he was busy keeping the sheriff off his premises. But don't let our readers imagine that starting newspapers is an easy road to fortune. The Conservatives of Ontario spent \$500,000 in trying to make the old Empire stick in opposition to the Mail, and the journalistic boneyard is full of remains of such enterprises. The value of a paper is largely determined by the amount of money it takes to establish one. From \$75,000 to \$100,000 is re quired to put a modern plant in place and it take years of investment and hard work, after that, before it is established as property on a paying or even staving basis. There is nothing so hard, however, to kill as a newspaper after it once gets its roots in.

According to figures compiled by E. M. Sandilands, mining broker, Sandon the silver-lead mines of the Slocan hav paid in dividends up to date \$4,763,297 we presume are fairly accurate. In this connection, the Sandon Standard, from which the above is taken, states that the year just drawing to a close has not seen the revival of the mining industry that was anticipated. It was thought that the much talked of bounty would give a stimulus that has not been produced, and the Standard says that the year closes with pretty much the same conditions as have existed for some years past. It adds: "The bounty can-not change the existing change of afnot change the existing change of ar-fairs. The local legislature may help materially to bring about a change, by enacting stable laws that would cause capital to come in and in-yest. Our greatest need is capi-For our own part, we do not know at respect the present laws are unstable. It certainly won't make them more stable by changing them. The Standard would do a public service by indicating the nature of the changes that would lead to the introduction of more capital, and we feel certain that the pleased to give them every consideration

The general understanding is that the St. Louis exhibition financially was a failure, but Fetus S. Wade in a letter to the press says that it has, as well as a great university of learning to the millions, been a great promoter of business interests of all classes. In fact, the development of St. Louis has been mar relous ever since the suggestion to celebrate the Louisiana Purchase was made brate the Louisaina Brurchase was made by the Louisaina Missouri Historical So-ciety in 1898. Taxable wealth, private capital, bank clearings, wholesale trade, etc., etc., have all doubled since that time. We fear that the comparison is dated too far back to be admitted as a business proposition. If the develop-ment can be traced to that source there must be much more in suggestion that the world has ever acknowledged before.

Senator Templeman, that great auth-rity on Finance, suggested to a reporter in Vancouver that if the Provin cial Government had added one or two ex-mayors and city assessors to the Assessment Commission that it would have relieved that body "of all fear of being charged with being under corporate in-fluence." The Commission is not troubled by any fears of that kind, and certainly would not worry about charges brought by a member of a Government that is carried in the breeches pockets of Senafor Cox and Manager Hays.

No other man has done so much for the cause of reform in Russia as Count Tolstoy, and yet when a practical scheme of reform is in sight he is one of the most vigorous of its opponents. That is not unusual in the history of great movements. The Apostle of Change is not always the best judge of the form which change should take. The man who stimulates is not always the man who can organize the activities he sets into operation.

Would you imagine that something on the game of golf? To begin with there are S70 golf clubs in England, 765 in the United States, 632 in camp Scotland, 134 in Ireland, 43 in Wales, and 63 in different parts of the continent. movements. The Apostle of Change is

If Mrs. Chadwick wants to restore How to Work Them on American

The university of Oregon is doing one useful work by publishing bulletins of the water powers of that State. We would recommend the Provincial Government to issue a bulletin on the water powers of British Columbia.

The Morning Chronicle, of Halifax editorially says that 'the report which comes from Victoria, B. C., that the Federal Government has decided build three first-class cruisers for the Canadian coast may or not be correct."
It would be more likely to be authentic if the report came from Ottawa, where

year 1904, estimated upon figures of monthly production up until the 1st of ed with 18,009,250 tons in 1903, 17,-821,305 in 1902, 15,878,354 in 1901, and 13,789,242 in 1900, the last having been the highest up to that date. Nineteen hundred and four, though a quiet year figures show.

The Montreal Gazette publishes the complete returns of the Dominion elec-tions by Provinces, which it is enabled to do through the holding of the final election in the Yukon. The Liberal majority in the House is 64, exactly ten more than in the previous election of 1901. The returns are as follows:

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Ontario	48	38
New Brunswick	G	7
Nova Scotia	0	18
Prince Edward Island	. 3	1
Manitoba	3	7
British Columbia	0	7
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

CHINESE IN SCHOOL.

tr—We hear much about giving the nese separate tuition, but no one has attioned the fact that although term or term our children are kept down in ool, on the plea that there is no room, Chinese children are constantly fill-the already over-crowded schools. If re is not accommodation enough for our s and girls to be promoted, why are Chinese being admitted every new n? With apologies for using your vallet time. A PARENT.

CORRALED OVER SIX CENTURIES.

hich has been confined for nearly 700 ars in Chartley Park, Staffordshire, Engand, on the hereditary estate of the Earl Frers, is to be sold. The park, consist of 900 acres, is to be dilyided up. The rd has numbered as many as 43, but mbers now only nine. It was shut up in the year 1248.

WHERE THE PULL COMES IN.

Stratford Beacon.

They have no parcel post or post office savings bank in the United States. One of the reasons given for parcels post not being established is that Senator Platt, the Republican boss in New York state, who is the president of one of the great express companies, thinks it would interfere with his business. The bankers, doubtless, succeed in preventing the establishment of the post office savings bank for a similar reason. The big interests across the line seem to have everything their own way.

GOMPERS TO THE SOCIALISTS.

Samuel Gomper.

I have kept close watch upon your doctrines for thirty years; have been closely associated with many of you, and know how you think and what you propose. I know, too, what you have up your sleeve, and. I want to say that I am entirely at variance with your philosophy. I declare it to you, I am not only at variance with your doctrines, but with your philosophy. Economically, you are unsound; socially you are wrong; industrially you are an impossibility.

A HOT HANDFUL.

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Brockville Times.

The removal of the British North Atlantie fleet causes An Old Reader of the Brooking Eagle to write to that paper suggesting that now would be a good time "to grab Canada." This friendly and neighborshy spirit seems to reflect the sentiment of the mass of the people in the United States—and it is the mass that rules in the republic, not the comparatively small the republic, not the comparatively small the Great Britain. It is the mass which tears down Union Jacks and bitterly reviles that hated monarchy, England. However, the hand that "grabs Canada" is likely to get severely stung.

WHAT THE BISHOP INTENDED TO SAY.

Montreal Star.

Bishop Archambault, of Joliette, is out with a statement that, in speaking to the Laval students recently, he did not declare for an independent French Canada, as had been reported. If the word "Freingh" had been used it was a slip of the tongue. He had not thought of appealing to racial feelings or prejudices. His speech was intended to put his hearres in an attitude of preparedness for the day when Canada might be called into the soverign nation class. Canada's freedom and independence would, said the bishop, come about naturally. It would be folly to speak of the present relations existing between Great Britain and Canada as irksome, for the French-Canadian cityens in common with other British subjects, enjoyed the full measure of British liberty.

ENTRAORDINARY HAND AT WHIST.

EXTRAORDINARY HAND AT WHIST. London Daily Mail.

London Dally Mall.

A wonderful hard at whist was played at the St. Paul's Institute, Grimsby.

The cards were shuffled and dealt in the usual way, but when the players looked at their hands they found that one of them (the dealer) had 12 spades, another 11 hearts, the third man 12 diamonds, and the fourth 11 clubs. Spades were trumps, and the lucky dealer simply threw in his hand and claimed the 12 tricks.

A FOOLISH DICTIONARY

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"The Foolish Dictionary," just published by Messrs, Dean & Son, is a collection of original and highly entertaining definitions, some of its lines are very mirth moving:

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Telegram.—A form of correspondence sent by a man in a hurry, and carried by a boy in sleep.

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A white cloth costume will be useful for many occasions later, and may be draped softly, so as not to appear stiff.

SCOTCH MEMORIES.

The law of irregular marriages in Scot nd is admirably stated in verses which ere composed in 1868 by an eminent rotch judge, the late Lord Neaves. They e as follows:

This maxim itself might content ye,
"That marriage is made by consent,"
Provided it's done de praesent,
And marriage is really what's meant.
Suppose that young Jocky and Jenny
Say, "We two are husband and wife,"
The witnesses needn't be many,
They're instantly buckled for life.

Suppose the man only has spoken,
The woman just givin' a nod,
They're spliced by that very same token,
'Till one of them's under the sod.
Though words would be bolder and blunter,
The want of them isn't a flaw;
For natu signisque loquuntur,
Is good consistorial law.

If people are drunk or delirious,
The marriage, of course, would be bad;
Or if they're not sober and serious,
But acting a play or charade,
It's bad if it's only a cover
For cloaking a scandal or sin,
And talking a landlady over
To let the folks lodge at her inn.

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Chicago Journal.

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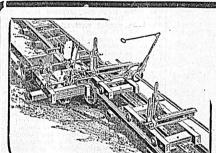
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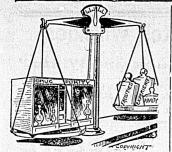
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Sugar is Dearer—Yesterday anothe dvance was made in the price of sugar

terfeiting gang and knew their every movement, about seventy wiles from Seattle up the Northern Pacific.

First Class Work—Comment of an enthusiastically tayorable kind is heard everywhere regarding the latest issue of the British Columbia Mining Exchange, published in Vancouver by Mr. George Sheldon Williams. Letterpress and illustrations are superb examples of those arts, the pictures having come out with admirable clearness. The writing—is fully up to the high standard familiar to readers of this excellent and well-informed mining publication. Mr. Sheldon Williams is fully entitled to the compliments which he is receiving on all hands from competent judges.

Death's Hand—The death occurred yesterday at the family residence, on Johnson street, of Henry Charles Lawson, and the gesterday at the family residence, on Johnson street, of Henry Charles Lawson, and surject of Denmark and was 71 years of age. Three sons and three daughters survive him, all resident in Victoria. The sons are Henry D. D. Richard W. and Charles Mfred Lawson, and the daughters, Anna Selina, Beatries Easter Lawson and Mrs. D. R. Young. The late Mr. Lawson came to Victoria in 1862. He was employed as an engineer in the O. R. & N. and later in the C. P. N. and C. P. R. services. He was engineer of the steamers Thames, Sifannes Douglas, Isahel, Otter, North Pacific, George E. Starr, Yosemite, Princess Louise, R. P. Rithet and Olympian, He had been ailing for several years, and for the last three months was con-

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Cauadian Attache Returning—Among the passengers expected to arrive on the steamer Empress of Japan, due on Tuesday next, is Capt. Thacker, attache. Capt. Thacker was despatched by the Dominion to accompany the Japanese army and report on the war as he saw it. He was billetted to the second Japanese army and report on the war as he saw it. He was billetted to the second Japanese army and report on the war as he saw it. He was billetted to the second Japanese army corps. He and Mr. Gordon Smith, of the Colonist staff, who acted as war correspondent of the Morning Post, were the only Canadians who with ressed the fighting in the Liaotung pentataches who accompanied the Japanese forces, has been decorated by the Mikado with the fourth class of the Order of the Itising Sun. Capt. Thacker as invalided from the front after the battle of Liaoyang, and laus now recovered.

Donations Acknowledged—The following donations are thankfully acknowledged for Xmas at the Aged Women's Home: Mrs. Carne, sr., andirons for incipace, plum pudding, cake, preserved fruit and Xmas cards to all; C. E. Society, First Presbyterian clurch, tea, sugar and butter; Reformed Episcopal church, brown bread; Mrs. Durham, pair of chickens; Mrs. Tite, box sodas; Miss Finlayson, ham and bacon; Mrs. Munsie, oranges; Metropolitan Methodist Sunday school, cakes; Mrs. John Weston, clothes rack; Mrs. A. M. Goodrich, Esquimalit; cards 40, all; Miss Galletly, ham and recording the control of the co defrom the front after the battle of Laoyang, and has now recovered.

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Held Dance—The Cowichan Hockey Club held an enjoyable dance at Duncans on Wednesday. Bantly's orchestra furnished music for the occasion, which was greatly enjoyed by a large number.

Mould for Reproducing Bogus Coins Found Near Everett.

CANADIAN COINS

Won't Talk Salmon—Mr. Richard Hall, M. P. P., was seen at his office yesterday and asked for his views on the present condition of the salmon industry. Mr. Hall politely declined to discuss salmon at any price, saying that it is were seals, now, then he would be willing to give a first-rate spiel, but salmon—never. By means of an anonymous letter written by a man in Vancouver, B. C., to the chief of police of that city, and forwarded to the police department of Ebverett, Captain B. W. Bell, of the United States secret service, has made what he considers an important capture of counterfeiting material, and it is probable that several arrests will soon be made in the case. Six moulds for reproducing American and Canadian silver amoney were found by Captain Bell in the woods near the Broadway bridge in Ebverett Wednesday evening.

Who the anonymous letter writer is

Who the anonymous letter writer is Capt. Bell has no means of ascertaining and the police of Vancouver appear to be equally in the dark. His communicabe equally in the dark. His communica-tion was a lengthy one and his state-ments rambling. It showed, however that he had kept close tab on the coun-terfeiting gang and knew their every movement. The letter described in de-tail just where the moulds could be found. The writer stated that he was a business man of Vancouver and Ever-ett and that if the counterfeiters got wind of the fact that he had given them away they would probably "burn him out."

That diaries and the resolution to keep them faithfully are now in order. That most of the Christmas toys are already in the hospital.

That this winter hasn't a backbone to break at the proper mement.

That there are a few wise girls who will postpone the weddings until people have forgotten that 1904 was Leap Year.

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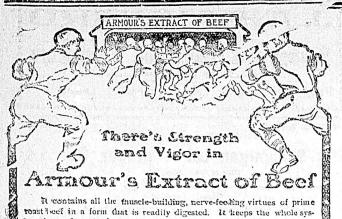
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SPORTING NEWS

TODAY'S EVENTS

Association Football. :30 p. m.—(Senior championship)— Victoria United vs. Garrison, at Oak Bay. F. Williamson, referee.

2:30 p. m.—(Intermediate champion-ship)—Victoria va. Victoria West, at Macculay Polet. L. A. Camp-bell, referee.

bell, referee,
2:30 p. m.—Capitals vs. Egerla, at
Beacon Hill. W. Baker, referee.
1 p. m.—Junior Jeague)—St. Louis
College vs. High School, at Oak
Bay. W. Winsby, referee.
1:30 p. m.—Junior league)—Capitals
vs. Victorie West, at Beacon
Hill. W. Baker, referee.
Rugby Football.
2:30 p. m.—Junior Rugby practice
at Beacon Hill.
The Hunt.

3:00 p. m.—Practice of Victoria

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Victoria United vs. Garrison.

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Capitals vs. Victoria West. The Capitals and Victoria West jun-ors will play at Beacon Hill at 1:30 this fternoon. W. Baker will manipulate

The Capitals vs. Egeria.

The Capitals will meet the Egeria eleven at Beacon Hill this afternoon at 230. W. Baker will act as referee.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Victoria vs. Vancouver.

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The second junior championship Rugby match between Victoria and Vancouver will take place at Oak Bay on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Victoria
juniors won the first game, which was
played at Vancouver, by S points to 5.

The struggle was a very hard one, and
Monday's game is expected to be a battle royal. If the Victoria boys win, they
will capture the championship, and,
knowing this, Vancouver will put up a
desperate fight. Mr. Alexis Martin will
be requested to act as referee. The Victoria junior team will be composed of
the following players: Full back, H. Ogden; three quarters, H. Sargison, F. Anderson, J. Gilley, S. Nason; forwards, J. Miller, A. Jeffs (captain), L. Sweeney, P.
Morris, W. Loat, A. Raymur, J. O'
Keefe, W. Paterson; reserves, R. Melnnes, W. Sweeney. On account of his ae-

afternoon. the whistle.

The Hunt.

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M.—Weekly run of Victoria
Club from Colwood hotel.

Hockey.

eident in Vancouver, A. Sargison will be unable to play. His place will be taken by his brother, H. Sargison, and the vacant half back position will be filled

dressings.

W. Irving. Junior Practice Game. Junior Fractice Game.

The Victoria juniors will hold a practice at Beazon Hill this afternoon, commencing at 2:30. As the league match with Vancouver will take place on Monday, every member of the team should turn out today.

THE RING

Victory for Hill. In a fast fight at the Savoy theatre last light, Collie Hill of Victoria won from fred Stubbert of Tacoma, in the fifth ound, the latter's seconds throwing up he sponge.

Victoria Club Practices,
There will be a practice of the Victoria
Hockey Club this afternoon at 3 o'clock,
and all the players are requested to attend.

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Practice on Monday.

Capt. K. Scholefield requests all the members of the VI-torial flockey Club to turn out for a practice game at Oak Bay on Monday morning at 10 o'clock,

R. E. vs. R. G. A.

The next league hockey match will be played at the Barracks between the R. R. and R. G. A., on January 4.

BASKETBALL.

Blue and White Victorious.

Victoria United vs. Garrison.

The day has arrived when the greatest struggle in the annats of Association football will take place. As already announced, the Garrison and Victoria United are meeting in the final match for the city league trophy and medals. The above elevens have met in the football field four times already this season, the Victoria United winning fine test match at the fall exhibition, and the Garrison winning one in the city league series, and drawing the other two. In the four matches played, the scores were each time as close as possible, the first 1-0; 2nd, 1 each; 3rd, 3-1; 4th, 1 each; which indicates that this final struggle will be as close as the games already played. Capt. Goward, of the Victoria United, recognizing that he must take no chances of losing the game, lias get together the strengest combination of socker players who have as yet donned the red and white shirt. B. P. Schwengers will be in his old place at full back, with H. A. Goward. These two sturdy players recognizing each other's play will be an exceedingly hard team to get past. S. Lorimer will be in his old place at forward, and will be ably backed by Jack Lawson, C. Berkeley, L. Yorke, and J. Lorimer. The rest of the players will line up as follows: Goal, J. Finlayson; half backs, S. C. Thomson, W. Lorimer, and N. Gowen.

The Garrison are too well known to need very much comment. The invincible Worrall will be between the sticks, and it is very seldom the pisskin has a chance to get into the net when he is in form. Sergt. Paley will be in his old place, centre half, and Matthews, the crack left wing forward, will make the large crowd who will journey to Oak Bay, special cars will be run on the Esquimalt line as well as a ten minute service on the Oak Bay line. starting at 1:30. The game will be run on the Esquimalt line as well as a ten minute service on the Oak Bay line. Simons, Matthews, Crisp, Phillips, Haz-clwood. This aggregation is composed of the same players who represented the Garrison team is an follows: G Intermediat Match.
Internediat Match.
Victoria West initiate teams will struggle for sury at Macaulay point this after-Appended are the players from ub: Victoria: Goal, H. Sargison: one hand shot. With the tally 4-1 against them, the Bays woke up and a goal from the field put them within one point of their opponents. Then Sargison secured



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the ball and passed to Morley, who scored with a good shot. J. B. A. A., 5; Regiment, 4. After that the tide of battle turned in favor of the boys from the row-net with the score, J. B. A. A., 11; Regiment of the score, J. B. A. A., 11; Regiment ment, 6.

The intermediate contest was not so interesting. The Bays proved too strong for their rivals. It must be stated, however, that the regiment was handleapped by the loss of Saunders, who was prevented from playing by a slight accident. His place was taken at the last moment by W. Nun.

On Monday night No. 5 Company will

Monday night No. 5 Company will the Feruwoods, in the F. Y .M. A.

Many Entries.

Keen interest is being taken in the Drivid billiard tournament, which will econumence as soon as 32 entries have been received. Six were handed in yesterday, which brings the list up to sixteen. Some splendid games are expected and there may be a number of surprises in store.

HANDBALL.

Another Entry.

J. S. Jost and S. McB. Smith have entered for the J. B. A. A. championship doubles handball tournament. They will make a very strong team.

PERSONAL. G. Slieldon-Williams, editor of the B. Mining Exchange, came over free acouver last night and is register

from Vancouver by last evening.
R. J. Nott returned from the Terminal City yesterday.
H. E. A. Robertson came over from Vancouver last evening.
Captain Melion, agent of the Bureau Verlius at Vancouver, was a passenger from the Mainland yesterday.
J. N. Henderson arrived over from the Mainland by the Victoria yesterday.
Miss K. Wilson, Sapt Spring Island, is a gaest at the Vernon.

Fried Stubbert of Tacoma, in the man fround, the latter's seconds throwing up the sponge.

Both men weighed about 120 pounds, but I'lll was stronger than his opponent. The Victoria boy had a vicious right uppercut, which did considerable damage to Stubbert, and as Hill was very quick on his feet, he was never in danger. I maded a lightleft to the race, and Hill immediately returned the compliment. They dodged a stiff left on the face, which sent him to the floor. He was up like a flash and dodged a vicious left swing. Several clinches followed, and the referee had his work cut out to separate the men. Stubbert landed a light left on the face, which sent blin to the floor. He was up like a flash and dodged a vicious left swing. Several clinches followed, and the referee had his work cut out to separate the men. Stubbert face, and followed them up with a right to the wind. Stubbert was game, but his blows lacked steam. Hill kept right after bin, and got in four hard right swings. Stubbert sent a right to the wind and a left to like mouth, which drew blood lifter by the mouth which drew blood lifts to the mouth, which drew blood lefts. Hill was good on his feet and Stubbert was unable to land any telling blows. Hill sent two lefts to the jaw, and then a right to the wind and they gong then sounded.

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The trip blows. Hill sent two lefts to the face, and Stubbert was unable to land any telling blows. Hill sent to have a special sent that the Tacoma boy was beaten. He shade the stage the shade of th in the pose. What, for instance, could be more compelling of sympathy than the spectacle of the bent old gray-head patiently and despairingly, as it seemed, grinding a wheezy old organ which he had tied into a broken-down bally carriage? The suggestiveness of that perambulator, coupled with the walls of that organ, more foriorn than mortal child ever uttered, was worth dollars a day to the old fellow. It was art, reprehensible art, of course, but art, acvertheless. And the artist grew rich, for when investigated by the police, he was found to be the owner of man houses in Hoboken. Again, could there he anything more likely to excite compassion than the crust-throwing trick? It was invented by a German beggar maned Lang, whose French disciple, Lemaire, practised it subsequently. I have seen a crust-thrower operating in Sixth avenue. It was before the time of this investigation. He was a semi-well-dressed mann, who walked swiftly down through the crowd of shoppers. Suddenly he uttered a hoarse cry and darted out into the roadway, where, pouncing upon a crust of bread (which he had thrown there previously), he began gnawing it ravenously. He did not wait for sympathy. He waked rapidly away, but a number of women who saw the act ran after him and crowded one another for the privilege of giving him money.

BAILLIE-JOHNSTON. Church of The Saviour the Scene of a Yuletide Wedding.

The Church of the Holy Saviour was on Thusday last the scene of one of the prottiest weddings of the year, when Rev. C. E. Cooper united in marriage Mr. George Hyron Baille, of Lytton, B. C., and Miss Ellen Jane Johnston, of this city. The bride was becomingly gowned in cream silk colian over taffeta, trimmed with ceru silk yak lace. Sne wore a veil of silk embroidered trille, with lilles of the valley, and carried a shower bouquet of white rosebuds and lilles of the valley. The bridesmalds were the bride's sisters, Miss Emily and Miss Sarah Johnston, Both looked lovely in cream silk frocks trimmed with Arabian applique, the perfect fairness of the former setting off the dark beauty of her sisters. They wore hats of shirred cream chiffon with flowing streamers, and carried bouquets of pink carnations and asparagus fern. The groom was supported by Mr. Andrew Johnston and Mr. James Baillie. The ceremony was performed under a very fine weedding bell prepared by friends of the bride.

The bride was given away by her father, Mr. William Johnston. The groot news.

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THE WEATHER.

SYNOPSIS.

The pressure continues low from the Pacific to the region of the Great Lakes, and a fresh disturbance appears to hover off the northern coast of British Columbia. Light rain has fallen in the province, and heavy rain south of the Straits on the American coast, 1,80 inches having fallen at Red Bluff, Cal., since 5 a. m. Winds have been light to fresh and temperatures west of the Cascades are mostly above normal. In the Northwest the weather is fair and warmer.

FORECASTS
For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time)
Saturday:
Victoria and vicinity: Winds chiefly southcrly; continued unsettled and mild, with
occasional rain.
Lower Mainland: Lizht to moderate
southerly winds; unsettled and mild, with
occasional rain, and probably fog on
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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

LAWSON—At the family residence, 243, Johnson street, on the 30th in Henry Charles Lawson, a native Denmark; aged 71 years.

Friends please accept this intimation.

HANDY

MESSENGER

PLUMBERS.

A. SHERET
102 FORT STREET.

Peter Curran Dunleyy, Deceased.

B. C. Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Frustees and Executors Act to all credities of the Estate of the said Penelope Ann Astrico, to send or deliver to the universigned before the 12th day of January, 1905, their Christian names and Surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after such date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and will not be liable for such assets to any person or persons of whose claims they shall not have received notice at the time of such distribution.

distribution.
Dated this 9th day of December, A. D. 1904.
1904.
McPHILLIPS & HEISTERMAN,
Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria,
B. C., Solicitors for the Executors.

VANCOUVER POWER COMPANY, LIM-

MINERAL ACT.
Certificate of Improvements.
Notice.
"Sunset." "Success," "Sophia" and "Star" Mineral Claims, situate in the Victoria Mining Division of Renfrew District. Located four miles up Gordon River.
Take notice that I, Malcolm Young, Frea Miner's Certificate No. 85235, for self and accord for A Young and Ing. Young Freak agent for A Young and Ing. Young Freak Miner's Certificate No. 85235, for self and according to A Young and Ing. Young Freak Miner's Certificate No. 85245, for No. Young Freak agent for A Young and Ing. Young Freak Miner's Certificate No. 85245, for Self and Take Agent Freak Miner's Certificate No. 85245, for Self and Take Agent Freak Miner's Certificate No. 85245, for No. Young Freak Miner's Certificate No. 85245, for Self and Take Miner Min

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

IN THE MATTER of an Application for duplicate Certificate of Title to all that Estate of John Bennetts in Subdivi-sion 4, Lot 6, Block "B", Finlayson Estate, Victoria City.

From the Issue to him of Said.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 31st day of December, 1904.

CASSIDY, DUMBLETON & SOLOMON, Solicitors for the Applicants.

MESSENGER OFFICE 22 Trounce Avenue, Prompt Delivers.

Cathedral, at 2 o'clock.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

New York, Dec. 30.—Today's reaction in stocks received various explanations, but did not materially impair the confidence with which the outlook upon the New Year is regarded. The stiffening of the call loor rate during the day was the most immediate apparent cause of the selling. The surprising fact is that the rise in call money was deferred until practically the last day of the year on the stock exchange. Loans made on Friday at the stock exchange. Loans made on Friday at the stock exchange carry over until Monday, and in this case until Tucsday. Preparations have been made for the largest January 1st disbursements in the history of Wall Street. Yet the call loan rate has been apathetic up to today, and the maximum rate touched today was live per cent. It is not probable that any deep anxiety over the money market was reflected in the day's movement. Profit-taking on the week's considerable rise was a more likely motive. The steady uplift of prices has developed little inclination to sell stocks up to today, and up to yesterday there has been little appearance of trading for a turn in the operations in the market. The increased animation of the late market and the early market today was rather distinctly of this character, and was accomplished by more or less obvious manipulation. The profit-taking made an early inchange in the market is a movement of a speculative nature. This was first manifested today in New York Central, which had its sharpest gain early in the week, and in which profit-taking made an early impression today. Consolidated Gas was actively sold on account of the compaling for a municipal gas plant, which is being agitated. Amalgamated Copper displayed arther acutely the reactionary effect of the speculative operations which is caused its wide advance of yesterday. Some disappointment was caused by the failure to eall off the New England textile trade strike. The Erie net carning reported after the closing last night supplemented the good effects of the Reading stribent were accumulation ba

CLOSING PRICES.

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MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4½ per cent. Sterling Exchange steady with actual business in bankers at \$4.87.10 to \$4.87.15 for demand \$4.84.80 to \$5 for sixty day bills. Posted rates \$4.85½ to \$4.88. Commercial bills \$4.84%; Bar silver 6174. Mexical bills \$4.84%; Bar silver 6174. Mexical bills \$4.84%; Commercial bills \$4.84%; Bar silver 6174. Mexical bills \$4.84%; Commercial bills \$4.8 METAL MARKET.

METAL MARKET.

London, Dec. 30.—Lead f12 17s. 6d. New York lead \$4.60.

Boston, Dec. 30.—There was notable activity in the local copper market today. Early gains carried copper stocks to a new high price, but recessions were general and quotations ran back to about yesterday norming's range.

BANK CLEARINGS. BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, Dec. 30.—The following are the weekly bank clearings, compiled by Bradstreets for the week ending December 29, with percentages of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year: Montreal, \$16,340,431; increase 12.3. Toronto, \$13,630,628; increase 16.8. Winnipeg, \$5,794,257; increase 23.7. Ottawa, \$1,831,389; increase 12.6. Halifax, \$1,578,532; increase 21.6. Halifax, \$1,578,532; increase 20.7. ancouver, \$1,304,920; decrease 25.1. Hanilton, \$1,100,287; increase 25.1. London, \$751,616; increase 2.6. Victoria, \$441,185; increase 13.7. NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Vancouver Power Company, Limited, will be held
at the office of Messrs. McPhillips & Heisterman, Solicitors, Bank of Montreal
Chambers, Government Street, in the City
of Victoria, British Columbia, on Thursfay, the 5th day of January, 1905, at the
heur of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for
the purpose following:
Appointing and ordering the periods of
time in each year for the holding of the
half-yearly general meetings of the shareholders, which meetings shall be called
"ordinary meetings."
Dated this 10th day of December, 1904.
By order of the Board of Diretors.

The Pine Creek Power Company, Limited.

Victoria, B. C., December 23rd, 1904.

Victoria, B. C., December 23rd, 1009.

TO THE SHARBHOLDERS:

TAKE NOTICE that a special general meeting of the shareholders of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 20 Board of Trade Building, Bastion Square, in the City of Victoria, on pany, No. 20 Board of Trane Bullating,
thon Square, in the City of Victoria, on
Wednesday, the 25th day of January,
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lowing ways:

1. By the Issue of Common Stock.
2. By the Issue of Preferred Stock.
Or in the alternative.
RESOLVED, That the Directors be authorized to borrow in any one of the ways following, a sum not to exceed \$50,000, secured upon the undertaking of the Company:

any:
(1) 3y Mortgage.
(2) By the Issue of Debentures.
A. L. BELYEA.
Secretary.

Notice of Application for Grant

Estate, Victoria City. Estate, Victoria City. My Intention at the expiration of one routh from the first publication hereof, to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to above Lot, issued to Elizabeth Sarah lennetts on the 20th day of March, 1806, and numbered 1678c. S. Y. WOOTTON, Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C. November, 1924 of Foreshore and License to Construct Wharf.

NOTICE is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1889, Chapters 30 and 92, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria has applied to the Governor-General in Council for the grant of a portion of the foreshore on the Northeast of Rock Bay in Victoria Harbor.

A plan of the said foreshore and of the works and improvements proposed and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof has been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, Ciek of the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria.

NOTICE is hereby given, that thirty days

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next Session thereof for an Act enabling Celeste Joly of London, England, Inventor, and the Light Traffics Company, Limited, of Welevira, B. C., to apply for the Issue of a Canadlen Patent of new and useful inventions known as the Calllet and Mono-Rail Portable Railway System, whereof Celeste Joly is the Patentee in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and various foreign countries, notwithstanding the lapse of one year from the Issue to him of the patents aforesaid.

NOTICE is hereby given, that thirty days after date we intend to make application to the Honourable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for special license to the Honourable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for special license to the Honourable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for special license to the Lands and Works, for special license to the Lands in the Lands and Lands in the Lands of British Columbia, in an action Frazer vs. Murray, and to miteracted, 12 coups of British Columbia, in an action Frazer vs. Murray, and to miteracted, 13 coups of British Columbia, in an action Frazer vs. Murray, and the Bark Antiope Company, Ltd., standing in the books of the said company in the names of Geo. D. Murray and Louise S. Murray, and will offer the same for sale at public acution in front of my office, Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C., on Thursday next, January 5, 1003, at 11 o'clock a. m. Termy, of sale Cash.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CANNING CO...

BR. C. Mess, Manager.

1904

FOR 25 CENTS

25 FORT STREET.

VICTORIA HALL-79 Blanchard street between Johnson and Pandora. Fine ball room, 60x36, supper room, kitchen and all modern conveniences; suitable for dances, dinners and all dasses of en tertainments. Terms of rental: \$12.50, full night; \$7.50 up to 12 p. m.

Johnson street, 7 room house\$17.00 Esquimalt road, 8 room house\$12.00

The funeral will take place from the residence as above on Sunday, January 1 at 1:45 p. m., and at Christ Church Oswego street, 7 room house\$18.00

> FURNISHED HOUSES TO RENT AT 30c., \$35, \$40.

Beaumont Boggs, TELEPHONE CALLS

Real Estate & Insurance Agent, 42 Fort 8 TO LET-Furnished house for few months choice situation.

ARGE LOTS on Clarence street, James Bay; sewer on street. Price only \$500 each, on easy terms.

SEVERAL NICE FARMS in Cowichan dis-trict and Somenos, at reasonable prices. SEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE, Richmond road can be purchased by monthly payments of \$15; interest at 4 per cent.

NORTH DAIRY-5 acre blocks of land still lend as the cheapest, best and neares sites for homes.

Peter Curran Dunleyy, Deceased.
Pursuant to the Trustees and Excentors Act, notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of the late Peter Curran Dunleyy, of Soda Creek B. C. who the art Soda Creek of the late Peter Curran Dunleyy, of Soda Creek B. C. who the other of the late Peter Curran Dunleyy, of Soda Creek aforesaid, the executix therein named on the 16th day of October, 1904, proposed the Elsabeth Dunleyy of Soda Creek and testament was granted at Victoria, B. C., to Jane Elsabeth Dunleyy of Soda Creek and the Soda Creek and Soda Creek and the Soda Creek and Soda Creek and the Soda Creek and Soda Cree

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under and pursuant to the "Revised Statute, of Canada, 1886," Chanter 92, THE TAY. LOR MILL COMPANY LIMITED of Victoria, B. C., has applied to the Governor General in Council for a Lease of certain foreshore rights, and for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a new wooden wharf adjoining the present wharf of the said Company in Rock Bay, in the Harbor of the said City of Victoria.

A plan of the said City of Victoria and improvements, and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed sites of the same have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria a foresaid.

Wictoria, B. C., the first day of Decomber. sald.
Victoria, B. C., the first day of December, 1904.

FELL & GREGORY.
Solicitors for the said The Taylor Mil'
Company Limited.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Langford Davie, late of Victoria, B.C., deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the rustees and Executors Act to all creditions of the estate to deliver to the undergened before the 24th day of January, 1905. full particulars of claims, verified y Statutory declaration. After such date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets according to law.

MethilLIPS & HEISTERMAN, Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the Executors.

RELIABLE MEN WANTED

WANTED—Responsible man to manage an office and distributing depot for large manufacturing concern. Salary \$150 per month and commissions. Applicant must have good references and \$2,000. Capital secure. Address, Supt. 323 West 12th St., Chicago.

MEN WANTED.—To join a new co-opera-tive wholesale company, under an excel-lent manager; every advantage and big wages given to employees, who are ex-pected to Invest \$200 or more, from which large profits are practically assured. Open to the strictest investigation. Address Box 77 Colonist office, Victoria, B. C. d29

VANTED—Men to learn barber trade in eight weeks and secure positions; con-stant practice; expert instruction and examinations; wages carned while learn-ing. Catalogue mailed free. Molar Sys-tem College, San Francisco, Cal. d28

VANTED—Canvassing, collecting, and all kinds of commission work. Victoria Gen-cral Agency, Room 1, Williams Block, Yates street.

SITUATIONS WANTED-MALE,

DVERTISEMENTS under this heading will be inserted at a special rate of onc-half cent per word, with six insertions for the price of four. WANTED-FEMALE HELP

WANTED—Good, reliable nursemald; must be experienced; care of children and assist with upstairs work. Apply Box 81 Colonist office.

WANTED—General servant. Apply Mrs. Clarke, Foul Bay road, near Mr. Dempter's.

WANTED—An experienced nurse for chil-dren. Apply Box 75 Colonist office. d29 WANTED Immediately, experienced nursemaids (2), general help (2), and a housemaid (city); good wages to suitable persons. Apply 60 Rae street. d29

WANTED-Experienced woman for house-cleaning; permanent work to satisfac-tory person. 60 Rae street. d29

WANTED—Demonstrator for grocery spe-cialty. Box 28 this office. d9 SITUATIONS WANTED-FEMALE.

ADVERTISEMENTS under this heading will be inserted at a special rate of one-half cent per word, with six insertions for the price of four.

WANTED—Position as stenographer. Box 80 Colonist office. d31 REMOVAL NOTICE

REMOVAL-E. Jackson removed his shoe shop to 52 Fort street, near Broad. d1 CONFECTIONS.

THE MOST DELICIOUS SWEETMEAT now on the market in Victoria is the home-made butter toffce, manufactured

WANTED—In every town and city, cx-cepting Ontarlo, live, energetic canvassers for "Men and Women," a bright, newsy Catholic home Journal, only one of its kind in Canada. Sells on sight. Rare opportunity. Liberal inducements to right person. For full particulars apply to Headquarters, Box 390, Smith's Falls, Ont. \$700—100 acres, Somenos district, 5 acres cleared, 25 acres swamp land; 4-roomed house; mostly feneed; only 135 miles from railway station. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 410 Government street.

LOST.

OST—Pearl handle of opera glass, be-tween corner of Fort and Government and Victoria theatre. Finder please re-turn to Colonist office.

LOST—On Oak Bay car No. 140, going from town yesterday, turtle purse, con-taining small sum of money. Finder please return to Mrs. Green, Royal Jubilee Hospital, or to Colonist office.

LOST-In 4 p. m. Esquimalt car, on Wednesday, 21st., gentleman's stick with silver end. Reward on return to Colonis

OST—Truck stake, between Niagara and Blanchard streets. Return to Green's Transfer, Pandora street. Reward. Tel. 646.

LOST-A diamond and sapphire ring. Reward at this office.

LOST—On Sunday morning, either in the outer wharf or left in back, a lady's purse containing small sum of money and important papers. Finder please return same to Box 71 Colonist office and receive reward.

OST—Insurance pocket book, containing B. C. E. R. ticket with owner's name on it. No use to finder. Please return to Colonist office.

ADVERTISEMENTS under this heading ic, per word each issue. In order to facilitate the return to their owners of articles picked in on the streets, The Colonist will insert in this column free of charge to the finder all outers of such matters, and in case of rewards being paid will guarantee payment of such amounts to those entitled to the money.

FOUND—Lady's small silver watch, with initials "M. L." on case. Apply "Wood-end," corner Oak Bay and Jubilee ave-nues. 422

FOR SALE_MISCELLANEOUS

OR SALE—New and second hand billiard and pool tables, with Monarch quick-acting cushions. Cash or extended pay-ments. Catalogue mailed free. Bruns-wick Balke Collender Co. J. Johnston, Kirk Block, Douglas street, agent, Vic-toria.

FOR SALE-500 cords of wood at Maple Bay wharf. Apply to T. Aitken, Maple Bay, B. C. d30

FOR SALE—One good second-hand plano, only \$90.00; one H. H. Mason & Risch plano, slightly used, at a bargain, Hicks & Lovick Plano Co., 88 Government street. d18

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a first class new upright grand plano. Apply at No. 3 Phoenix Place. Cash or on time pay-ment. FOR SALE—Two contracts in the People's Loan & Deposit Co., ow numbers. S4 Yates street.

FOR SALE—Slab wood, Lemon, Gonna-son & Co., Orchard and Government streets. Telephone 77,

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Bay mare; good for de'ivery butcher's cart and light lumber wagon. Apply at once, 64 Store street. James Townsley.

FOR SALE—A first class paying business, about \$5,000, half cash; good reasons given. Apply Box 63 Colonist. d22

PARTIES WANTING THOROUGH TUI-TION in surveying and civil engineering, and chalmen wishing to qualify them-selves to enable them to join surveying parties in the spring, apply Civil En-geer, 8 Stadacom avenue. Phone 224.

CHOICE OIL PAINTING also something really new in Christmas cards, hand-painted and lettered. On sale Smith Co., 42 Fort street, Five Sisters' Block. WANTED-\$2,000 wanted for purchase of printing plant. Excellent opening for sleeping or active interest. Ample security, ten per cent. guaranteed, payable monthly. Address first instance, P. O. Box 176 Victoria.

WANTED-Pupils desirous of learning surveying and leveling. Instruction given in field and office work. Apply "Civil Engineer," 8 Stadacona avenue, phone 224.

FOR SALE—Alfalfa hay, 113 Governmen street, room 6, upstairs. dl

TO LET—In central part of city, dry, well-ventilated stable, with water. Apply Box 42 Colonist office. d11

ADVERTISING WORLD, Columbus, Ohlo, a monthly journal of information, plans, suggestions and ideas for advertising. Send today for feee sample, or 10e, for four months' trial.

FOR SALE—TIMBER LIMITS.

LARGE TRACTS of timber land, both crown granted and leasehold; cedar, spruce and fir and other woods. For particulars apply to B. C. Land & In-vestment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

FOR SALE—300 acres of first-class fir, on Cowlehan Lake, averaging 80,000 feet per acre; conveniently located, and can be logged very cheaply; crown granted. Apply B. C. Land & investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK

FOR SALE—First class saddle horse; young, good tempered. Would exchange for good general purpose horse. Apply P. O. Box 112. d31

WANTED—A good horse, 5 or 6 years old and about 1,100 or 1,200 lbs; must be sound in wind and lmb, true to pull and a fair traveler. Will be taken on four days' trial. Address Box 80 Colonist.

WANTED-Small pony. Address, stating price, etc., Box 79 Colonist office. 630

FOR SALE—One fancy driving horse, Jersey cow, two seated top buggy, heavy saddle. Apply 10 San Juan avenue d16

FOR SALE-One cow and 4 calves one caif 1½ years old, 3 calves 6 months old, cow 4 years old; 2 dozen hens; 2 dozen chickens; 1 sewiar machine, Apply Mrs. M. J. Virdler, Richmond avenue.

FOR SALE—One first-class black driving horse, 5 years old; quiet and centile. Apply 165 Douglas street. J. W. Goss, di3

WANTED—To purchase a good work ing team, not less than 1,100 pounds Apply Box 43, Colonist Office. OR SALE—Jersey bull calf; registered. Apply Quick Bros., Royal Oak. d13

TO RENT_RESIDENCES,

TO RENT—Two furnished front rooms for light housekeeping. 99 Quadra street of Pandora avenue. d80 TO LET—Furnished house, with severa acres of good land, on Esquimalt road rent moderate. Heisterman & Co. di

COMFORTABLE COTTAGE on Pandora avenue; six rooms and bathroom; full sized lot with stable, \$17.00 per month. Apply A. W. Bridgman. o21

TO LET-Furnished or unfurnished, number of desirable residences. Appls B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd. 40 Government street. Jei WANTED TO RENT.

VANTED TO RENT-Small, comfortable cottage, with all modern conveniences, gas, etc.; monthly rent not to be above \$16. Box 45 Colonist.

NURSING. MRS. HOOD, of 17 Alfred street, is pre FOR SALE—50 acres water frontage on Cordova Bay, \$50 per acre. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

\$1.650—45 acres, 10 under cultivation; new 5-roomed house, barns, etc.; running stream; 12 miles from Victoria, on a 500d road. Apply B. C. Land & Invest-ment Agency. Ltd., 40 Government street.

\$1600—Comox, 1 mile from wharf, 10 acres, 20 acres cultivated, ditched an fenced, 40 acres alder bottom, balanc good pasture land; small 2-roomed cabin soil very rich. Apply B. C. Land & In vestment Akency, Ltd., 40 Governmen

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE—A first class paying business, about \$5,000, half cash; good reasons given. Apply Box 63 Colonist. BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS. THOMAS CATTERALL—16 Broad street Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

FOR SALE—As a going concern—Good will and furniture of a large first-class private boarding and lodging house, doing a thriving business; best of furniture. Cheap. For full particulars apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

BOARDING HOUSES

I'URNISHED ROOMS-First-class table; well recommended. 227 Johnson, corner Vancouver.

TO LET-FURNISED ROOMS.

TO LET—Housekeeping and single rooms.
6 Douglas street. d28

TO LET.—Two or three nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping; central; all modern conveniences; phone; private house; rent moderate. "M. E.," Colonist.

DON'T BE HUMBUGGED by itinerate fakers if you want your chimneys clean-adl Go to the only capable and reliable chimney cleaner in Victoria. Wm, Neal, 32 Quadra street. Phosp A381 m8 TO LET—Furnished and housekeeping rooms. 60 Fort street. d28

FO RENT—Large sunny, furnished house keeping rooms; every convenience; in-candescent light, gas range, bath, phone 98 Yates.

TO LET-Furnished suite of rooms, with kitchen and bath. 120 Vancouver street. TO LET—Comfortably furnished fron rooms, with use of kitchen, if required 139 Michigan street.

BED AND SITTING ROOM TO RENT-Private family; new house, modern. 5 Heywood avenue.

BUSINESS PROPERTY

\$5,500 will buy a large lot (65 feet frontage) in the heart of the city, just off Government street. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. FOR SALE-PROPERTY.

TWO LOTS, 100x141 each, part of Pierce estate (North Chatham street); good view, well dralmed. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. THOS. D. SEDGER-Arci'tect. Room 21 Five Sisters' Block, Victoria, B. C. n1 SHORTHAND SCHOOL-15 Broad street

FOR SALE—Lots in Douglas Gardens, 158 feet deep, front and beck entrance, only \$1,200. B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. d10 FOR SALE CHEAP—Four lots, 60x24 each, well situated in James Bay. Fo price and terms apply B. C. Land & In vestment Agency, Ltd., 40 Governmen street.

FOR SALE—Gorge Road, a number of de-sirable residential lots, close in, cheap, and terms if necessary. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, 40 Govern-ment street.

FOR SALE—\$800; one-third of an acre James Bny, all cleared, rich black lonm. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, 40 Government av tet. jä

WANTED-TO PURCHASE.

WANTED—To lease or purchase. Smal farm, within driving distance of Vic toria, near salt water preferred. Ful particulars to "R. W.," Colonist. s1 WANTED—To purchase, waters de lots at Victoria, suitable for wharf purposes, or to rent wharf premises. Full particulars with lowest terms. Apply to Malins, Coulthard & Co., New Westminster, B.C.

FOR SALE-Naphtha launch in good or-der. Apply "Launch," Colonist office.

BARGAIN—10-roomed modern dwelling, James Bay, on main thoroughfare; sewer connection, electric light and large lot, on car line, only \$2,760. Apply B C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

\$950—5-roomed cottage, on corner lot, with stable, large basement, bath, etc.; \$100 cash, balance monthly instalments. Ap-ply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. d3

\$12 PER MONTH will buy an 8-roomed dwelling, in good repair; price \$1,000 only. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. d6

\$1,050—Cottage of four rooms, bath, etc.; stable and chicken house, and corner lot. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. d3 \$650-Good six-roomed house, on car line Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., Government street.

\$3,150.00—A good 10-roomed dwelling, in A1 condition; all modern conveniences, and within five minutes' walk of the centre of city; suitable for lodging house, if desired. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

FOR SALE—House and lot, 41 View street Apply to C. H. Dunlevy, Soda Creek ni

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Proceedings have been commenced in Seattle courts against the Young Men's Christian Association of Beilingham by the Alaska Steamship Company for \$450 alleged to be due as balance on a charter of the steamer Dolphin. According to the papers filed in the case, the association chartered the Dolphin last August for the purpose of taking an excursion to Race Rocks just off Victoria. The charter price was \$690 and of this sum it is alleged that only \$150 has been paid, and the steamship company prays that a moniton be issued and that they be granted the sum in question together with interest and costs.

MARINE NOTES.

The German steamer Anubis, one of he Kosmos liners, which was to have sailed from San Francisco yesterday, is coming to Victoria to load a large con-ignment of railway sleepers for South America.

II. Bird rendered a recitation in his own inimitable style. This ended the programme, all too short for the old men's liking, and such remarks could have been heard as: "Why-I could sit for hours to see that," "When are they coming again?" etc. ct. All are grealty pleased to think that Mr. Redmond and his company thought of the old men during the festive season, and hope that this entertainment is the forerunner of many more.—Com.

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Other Liners Will Probably Follow-Anubis to Load Lum.

It is not improbable that the steamer Acoma, of the Northwest Commercial Company, now loading at Seattle for the Orient, may be intercepted by a Japanese man-of-war. The steamer's owners announce that she will carry a cargo of general merchandise to Shanghai, but it is stated that her cargo will consist of 1,700 tons of "bully" beef for the soldiers of the Car. The Seattle Times says: "Every barrel is marked 'Mess Beef' and is billed to 'E. B. Co., Shanghai.' The beef was put up by Swift & Co., of Chicago. In all there will be about 100 carloads, with 100 barrels to the car. The beef cargo to be taken from Seattle by the steamship Tacoma is the first large shipment since war broke out between Russia and Japan. Prior to that time the Russian government bought many tons of meat for the soldiers stationed at various forts in Siberia.

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"At the time the beef was taken to Vladivostock or Alexandrovska. When war was declared the shipments ceased and the Tacoma's cargo is the first to go to the Orient in many months. According to local customs house officials the shipments of beef to Shanghai were never large, and it is the general option of the United States inspectors that the meat is intended for the Russian army.

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"It is the opinion of some steamship men along the water front that the Tacoma's cargo will be transshiped at Shanghai. Salling vossels may take the meat to Vladivostock or attempt to run the blockade at Port Arthur. While there has been a rumor that the Tacoma would go to a Russian port on the Siberian coast after clearing from Scattle, there is some speculation as to whether John Rosene would take such great chances. So far the names of the charterers of the Tacoma, and the nature of the cargo have not been made public at the offices of the company, and much secreey is maintained.

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"It is very likely that Mr. Rosene will announce within the next few days that the steamship Olympia has been chartered for a voyage to Shanghai. The company's steamship Victoria may also be sent across the Pacific with provisions for the Russian army if the demand for beef continues. If the Tacoma discharges her cargo at Shanghai, as is now announced, it is likely that coasting vessels will coavey the beef to a Russian port."

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While coaling at Vancouver on Thursday the Australian steamer Aorangl was run ito by the statement of the Edith, and her libboom, figurehead and headigen cardial to the statement of the stateme

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Hon, J. H. Turner Writes of the Show-London Merchants luterested.

Hon. J. H. Turner, agent general for British Columbia in England, has written to R. M. Palmer, of the Bureau of In-formation, regarding the exhibit of British Columbia fruit at the Colonial Fruit Show of the Royal Horticultural Society, held

er says:
L. M. Palmer, Esq., Victoria, B. C.:
Dear Mr. Palmer—The Coionial Fruit
how of the Royal Horticultural Society
as opened by a private view to the press
and invited guests on Monday, 12, at 5,
m., and to the public on the 13th, closglast evening.

The show as a whole was not so good as was expected, owing to the fact that apparently the governments of the other fruit growing provinces have not taken it up very thoroughly. Nova Scotla had, however, a good, though rather small, exhibit. What purported to be at first Ontarlo, but was afterwards changed and labeled Dominion of Canada, was about the same in size as Nova Scotla. The fruit was good. I belleve this exhibit was sent by the Dominion commercial agent, Bristol. The Nova Scotla apples were, I thought, excellent, but British Columbia came far ahead; there was much more of it, and the apples looked wonderfully attractive. We had secured, I think, far the best position in the hall, having practically a large raised compartment of the hall all to ourselves. As you know, the fruit had been lying here for over a month, and I felt a little nervous about it, and personally saw most of the cases and a selection made from each for the tables. It really was the great feature of the show, next to the West Indian display of tropical fruits of all kinds. It is really quite remarkable what an attraction there appears to be about British Columbia fruit here now; our section was crowded all day. There was a great demand for bulletins, of which we distributed hundreds. When it was known that British Columbia fruit here only in the way known that British Columbia fruit here will be many going from here to take up fruit land in our province next year. But now the London fruit merchants have got strongly interested. The secretary of the Army and Navy Stores called on me at the show to know if we could seil any of the fruit. I replied that it had leven the intention to do so, but that if a concern like the Army and Navy Stores wished to make a specialty of it, I would have the whole carefully examined so that none but perfect fruit would be offered to the public, and thus make up a few cases for them. This is now being done, and i hope to have the decision of the Army and Navy Stores which are their against in Oregon, bef

America.

The scaling schooner Eva Marie is or the ways of the Victoria Machinery De-pot undergoing repairs. THE TIDES. THOUGHTFUL THESPIANS.

we have sent two boxes of fruit to the King for the Children's Hospital at Ormond street. The shew of English apples was really ahead of all others, but not competing; they have had an exceptionally grod year.

In a letter to the Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Mr. Turner states further that the secre-tary of the Royal Hortfeulural Society informed him that the winning of two gold medals in one year was, he believed, un-precedented in the history of the society.

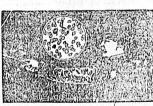
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J. H. Turner, Eso, Agent Ganeral for British Columbia, Sallsbury House, Finsbury Circus:
Dear Sir—The Rev. Mr. Wilks, the secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society, has asked me to express my opinion as to the prospects of the English market for apples from British Columbia. As one of the judgest had an opportunity of inspecting the samples at the show on Wednesday evening, and I must compliment you on the quality and condition of the full. The distance from England, however, is ogreat that only two varieties of apples are likely to give sufficiently remunerative returns to the grower or shipper, namely, Newlown Pippins and Spitz.

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